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Senator Schrock to delay the effective date of this bill. So with those two proposals being adopted, I will still be in opposition to the bill, I will speak against it, but I will speak against it as I would any other bill. I will try to persuade you that it is not good policy, but I will have no more amendments to offer. I will have no more motions to make. Mr. President, I would like to withdraw my pending motion.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The motion is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill, by Senator Schrock. Senator, this is your FA150. (Legislative Journal page 329.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Chair would recognize Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this bill would delay implementation of the fee increase on hunting and fishing licenses until July 1, 2004. The reason we didn't use January 1, 2005 is, we wanted to make sure that the Game and Parks Commission had adequate time to have hearings and...on their proposed fee increases, which they will do, and that will be held sometime in the fall. Effectively, though, there will be no fee increases on hunting and fishing permits until calendar year 2005. But this delays the implementation until July 1, 2004. I hope that is plain enough. If you have any questions, I'd be glad to try and answer them.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Schrock. The Chair recognizes Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I do support this amendment. I think that it will allow some extra time, and also the consideration of the difficult times that we are in right now. Thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, ten years ago was the last fee increase like this. And this is